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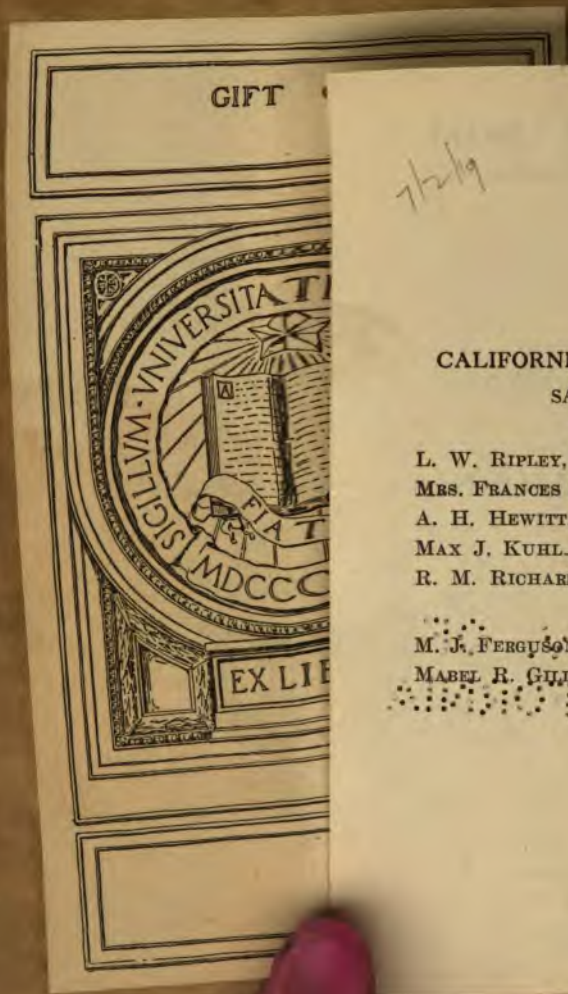

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NOTE.

This Supplement brings down to date the "Library Laws of the State of California," issued in 1913. It contains the library laws enacted at the 1915 and 1917 sessions of the legislature and thus supersedes the supplement issued in 1915.

Section 410 of the Political Code, relating to the printing and distribution of state publications, was amended in 1917, but with no change in the provisions relating to libraries. This section, therefore, is omitted.

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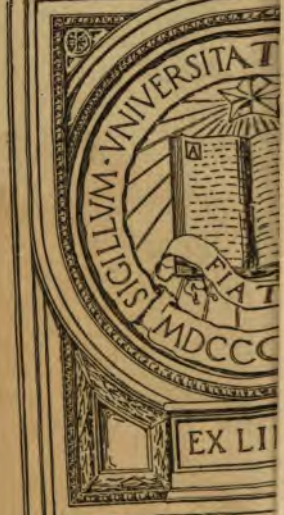

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COUNTY FREE LIBRARIES.

[Amendment to county free library law of 1911.]

Salary of county librarian.

Section 9*gg*. In counties of the thirty-third class the salary of the county librarian shall be eighteen hundred dollars per annum. [Amendment. Statutes 1917, p. 1610.]

[Amendment to section 4254 of the Political Code, relating to compensation of officers of counties of the twenty-fifth class.]

15*a*. There is created for counties of the twenty-fifth class a county librarian, who shall be appointed by the board of supervisors for a term of four years and shall receive a salary of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum, to be paid at the time and in the manner as other county officers. [Amendment. Statutes 1917, p. 1578.]

[Amendment to section 4280 of the Political Code, relating to the compensation of officers of counties of the fifty-first class.]

15*a*. There is created for counties of the fifty-first class the office of county librarian; the librarian shall be appointed by the board of supervisors for a term of four years and shall receive a salary of one thousand two hundred dollars per annum, to be paid in equal monthly installments at the same time and in the same manner as other county officers are paid. [Amendment. Statutes 1917, p. 1257.]

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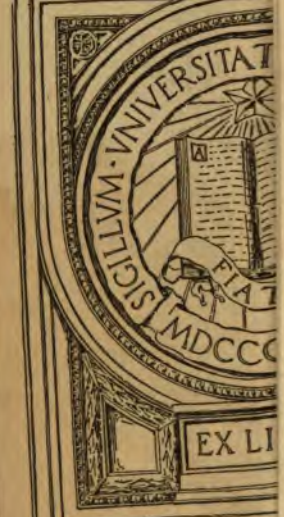

SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

POLITICAL CODE.

Powers and duties of school trustees.

§1607*. Boards of school trustees and city boards of education shall have power, and it shall be their duty:

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Sectarian publications.

Third—To exclude from school and school libraries all books, publications, or papers of a sectarian, partisan or denominational character. [New section. Statutes 1917, p. 736.]

§1609. Boards of school trustees and city boards of education shall have power, and it shall be their duty:

District librarians.

Third—To appoint and, in their discretion, pay district librarians, and enforce the rules prescribed for the government of district libraries. [New section. Statutes 1917, p. 738.]

Change of locations of schools.

§1611. Boards of trustees in school districts, not including districts having city boards of education, may, and upon a petition signed by a majority of the heads of families resident in the district, must call meetings of the qualified electors of the district for determining or changing the location of the schoolhouse, or for con-

*Secs. 1607, 1609 and 1611 are reenactments, under new section numbers and with only slight formal changes, of the provisions of sec. 1617, as amended in 1913.

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sultation in regard to any litigation in which the district may be engaged, or be likely to become engaged or in regard to any affairs in the district. Such meetings shall be called by posting three notices in public places, one of which shall be in a conspicuous place on the schoolhouse, for not less than ten days previous to the time for which the meeting shall be called, which notices shall specify the purposes for which said meetings shall be called; and no other business shall be transacted at such meetings. District meetings shall be organized by choosing a chairman from the electors present, and the district clerk shall be clerk of the meeting, and shall enter the minutes thereof on the records of the district. A meeting so called shall be competent to instruct the board of trustees:

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3. In regard to prosecuting, settling or compromising any litigation in which the district may be engaged, or be likely to become engaged, and may vote money not exceeding one hundred dollars in any one year, for any of these purposes in addition to any amount which may be raised by the sale of district school property, and the insurance of property destroyed by fire; *provided*, that the proceeds of the insurance of the library and apparatus shall be paid into the library fund. * * * [Amendment. Statutes 1917, p. 740.]

Instructions.

Insurance proceeds.

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Library fund for cities not divided into districts.

§1714. The county superintendent of each county, or city and county, shall annually apportion to each city, or city and county, not divided into school districts, as a library fund, such sum as may be requested by the board of education of such city, or city and county, said request to be in writing and filed with the county superintendent of schools at least thirty days before the first day of the month in which the supervisors of the county, or city and county, are required by law to levy the amount of taxes required for county, or city and county, purposes for each year, but in no case shall the sum so apportioned to any district exceed eighty cents for each pupil of average daily attendance in the elementary schools of said district, as reported to the county, or city and county superintendent of schools, during the preceding school year; *it is provided*, that in each city and county comprising a single district, the amount apportioned shall be not less than forty cents for each pupil of average daily attendance in the elementary schools; said amount so apportioned to be deducted from the county school fund apportioned to each city, or city and county, and credited to the library fund of each city, or city and county; *and it is provided, further*, that if the board of education of any city, or city and county,

Maximum apportionment.

Minimum for city comprising single district.

Failure to file request.

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shall fail to file said request in writing as hereinbefore provided, the county, or city and county superintendent shall apportion to the library fund of each city, or city and county, failing to make such request in writing, such amount, not in conflict with the provisions of this act, as he may deem advisable. The total amount of each such apportionment shall constitute the library fund of each city, or city and county, not divided into school districts and shall be expended only in accordance with the provisions of section one thousand seven hundred twelve of this code. [Amendment. Statutes 1915, p. 344.]

How expended.

District school libraries.

§1715. Libraries may be maintained under the control of the district board of trustees or city board of education, and in such case shall be open to the use of the teachers, pupils and all residents of the district. Wherever practicable, the library shall be kept open during vacation and non-school days. Whenever the county in which a district is situated shall maintain a county library, the board of school trustees or city board of education may agree with the proper authorities of such county to make the school library a branch of such county library. In such event, such board of school trustees or city board of education shall turn over the books and other property of the district library to the county library, and shall annually transfer

May become branch of county free library.

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to such county library its library fund, as soon as it is available, to be kept and expended as other funds of such county library. The said county library shall thereupon make such district library a branch library, managed and maintained according to the rules and regulations established by the authorities of the county library. In any city conducting a public library owned and managed by such city, the board of school trustees or city board of education of such city may enter into an arrangement with the governing body of the public library of said city similar to the arrangement herein authorized between such school trustees or board of education and such county library. [Amendment. Statutes 1915, p. 772.]

Arrangement with city public library.

Powers and duties of high school boards.

§1741. Except as in this article, or in article fifteen of this chapter, otherwise provided, the powers and duties of high school boards shall be such as are now or may hereafter be assigned by law to boards of education or boards of school trustees in school districts. * * * The high school board of any high school district lying wholly or partly within a county maintaining a county free library shall have power to enter into a contract or agreement with the board of supervisors of said county, whereby said high school district may secure the advantages of said county free library upon such terms and

Contract for county free library service.

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conditions as may be fixed in said contract or agreement. [Amendment. Statutes 1915, p. 769.]

§1771. County boards of education have power:

Powers of county boards of education.

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3. To grant, in accordance with sections one thousand seven hundred seventy-two and one thousand seven hundred seventy-five of this code, the following certificates, renewable at the option of the board:

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Special certificates.

(d) Special certificates, authorizing the holders to teach in the schools of the county such branch or branches of learning and in such grades as are named in such certificates. No special certificate shall be granted except for the oral teaching of the deaf or for the teaching of atypical children or for the teaching of special classes in citizenship, or for teaching a subject included under the manual and fine arts, oral and dramatic expression, library craft, technique and use, music, physical education, agriculture, commercial branches, commercial Spanish, vocational guidance and technical, household and industrial arts, and other vocational arts, not herein specified. [Amendment. Statutes 1917, p. 1315.]

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High school librarian.

§1775. * * * * *

6. No librarian shall be employed for more than two hours a day in any high school, unless such librarian holds a high school certificate or a special teachers' certificate in library craft technique and use, of secondary grade, granted in accordance with the provisions of this code. Such librarians shall rank as teachers, and shall be subject to the burdens and entitled to the benefits of the public school teachers' retirement salary fund law on the same basis as other teachers. [Amendment. Statutes 1917, p. 1319.]

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COUNTY LAW LIBRARIES.

POLITICAL CODE.

§4190*a*. The boards of supervisors of the several counties of this state are hereby authorized at their discretion to set apart each month from the fees collected by the county clerks in addition to the fund now provided for by law, a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars in any one month, to be paid by the county clerk into the "law library fund" designated in section four thousand one hundred ninety of this code and when so paid into said fund the same shall constitute a part thereof and be used for the same purpose as said fund is now used. [New section. Statutes 1915, p. 216.] Law library fund.

Section four thousand two hundred twenty-one *a* of the Political Code is hereby repealed. [Statutes 1915, p. 216.] Repealed.

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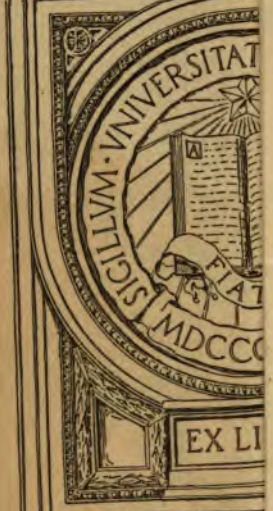

STATE LIBRARY.

POLITICAL CODE.

Index of great registers.

§1115. * * * The [county] clerk shall have bound together in one or more volumes, a general index of said [registration] books arranged alphabetically by precincts, and shall keep at least one copy of said general index in his office for public reference. He shall also transmit one copy of said general index to the state librarian at Sacramento. [Amendment. Statutes 1917, p. 436.]

Librarian's salary.

§2302. The annual salary of the state librarian is five thousand dollars. [Amendment. Statutes 1917, p. 1663.]

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An act validating the action of the trustees of the state library in accepting as a gift from the heirs of the late Adolph Sutro of the city and county of San Francisco the library commonly denominated the "Sutro Library," and in establishing a branch of the state library in the city and county of San Francisco, to be known as the "Sutro Library."

[*Statutes* 1915, p. 822.]

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The action of the trustees of the state library in accepting as a gift from the heirs of the late Adolph Sutro, on behalf of the State of California, the collection of rare books and manuscripts gathered by the said Adolph Sutro is hereby approved and validated. Sutro library accepted.

SEC. 2. The establishment by the trustees of the state library of a branch of the state library in the city and county of San Francisco, to be known as the "Sutro Library," in which branch the said collection of rare books and manuscripts shall, in accordance with the terms of the gift, be maintained is hereby approved and validated. San Francisco branch established.

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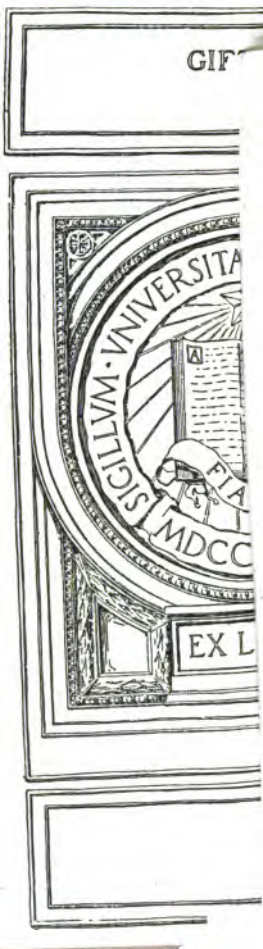
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